

Beginning this May, Wisconsin 8th graders will be invited to sign the Wisconsin Covenant Pledge. Students pledge to:

- Graduate from a Wisconsin high school.
- Maintain a B average while in high school.
- Take classes in high school that will prepare me for entrance into higher education and will meet or exceed college entrance requirements.
- Demonstrate good citizenship and engage in activities that support my community.
- Apply for state and federal financial aid in a timely manner.
- Apply and do all that is necessary to gain admission to a University of Wisconsin system institution, Wisconsin Technical College, and/or a Wisconsin private college or university.

In return, students can expect support during high school from the Wisconsin Covenant Community. When students fulfill the pledge, they can expect:

- Recognition as a Wisconsin Covenant Scholar.
- A place in a University of Wisconsin system institution, Wisconsin Technical College, or Wisconsin private college or university.
- A financial aid package based on their family's federally-defined financial need.

Who can join the Wisconsin Covenant?

- ☐ Are you in 8th grade?
- ☐ Are you a Wisconsin resident and do you attend school in Wisconsin?
- □ Do you plan to graduate from a Wisconsin high school?
- □ Are you thinking about going to school after high school?
- ☐ Are you willing to work hard and do your best while you're in high school?

If you answered yes to all of these questions, then you can sign the Wisconsin Covenant Pledge.

To learn more or to find out how to join the Wisconsin Covenant, go to www.WisconsinCovenant.wi.gov or call 608-267-9389.

Instead of thinking this...

I can't go to college because no one in my family ever went to college.

Grades don't count as a freshman.

I can wait until I'm a senior to worry about what I will do after high school. I can't afford college so what's the point.

Think this:

I'm going to work hard in high school and then I'm going to college.